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Tremblay et al.)
Application No.: 09/838,052)
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UNDER 37 CFR §1.56 AND §1.97

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

The references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449 may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit these references in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to make these citations of official record in this application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made, that additional information material to the examination of this application does not exist, or that these references indeed constitute prior art.

Copies of the references are enclosed, as required under 37 CFR §§1.98. The references on the attached Form 1449 identified by an asterisk (*), if any, were previously cited by or submitted to the PTO in a prior application relied upon for an earlier filing date. Accordingly, in compliance with 37 CFR §1.98 (d), copies of these references have not been provided.

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Pursuant to MPEP Section 2001.06(c), Applicant hereby notifies the Examiner that a litigation has been commenced involving an issued patent, U.S. Patent No. 6,275,213, which may involve subject matter that is similar to subject matter included in the present patent application. This litigation, Immersion Corporation v. Sony Computer Entertainment America, Inc., Sony Computer Entertainment, Inc., and Microsoft Corporation, Case No. C02-00710 CW, was commenced on February 11, 2002 in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California and is currently ongoing.

In addition, Applicants list the following pending U.S. patent applications in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56 and 1.97:

Application No. 09/608,125, filed 6/30/00.

Application No. 09/643,898, filed 8/18/00.

Application No. 09/669,029, filed 9/25/00.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, or after three months of the filing date of this national application or the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in §1.491 in an international application, whichever event occurred last, but it is believed before the mailing date of either (1) a final action under §1.113 or (2) a notice of allowance under §1.311, whichever occurs first.

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Respectfully submitted,



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